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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PERFORMING

CHEMICAL REACTIONS

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Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

In the Specification:

On page 1 of the supplied specification originally filed in the continuation-in-part from which this case continues, please replace the title with the following phrase -- METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PERFORMING CHEMICAL REACTIONS --.

On page 1, immediately below "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS", please delete the paragraph starting with "This application is" and ending with June 30, 1992" and insert this new paragraph in its place: -- This application is a continuation of U.S. application SN 09/172,187, filed October 13, 1998, which is a continuation of of U.S. application SN 08/974,372, filed Nov. 19, 1997, which is a continuation of U.S. patent application SN 615,642, filed March 13, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,750,015,